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STORAGE TRANSIT

Beginning Tuesday, applications for the transfer of personal effects now stored in the Federal Reserve Bank warehouses to this Center may be filed by interested persons.

Applicants are asked to bring their storage receipts to the office of Transportation and Supply division where assistance will be given in filing the shipping order.

Due to the lack of storage facilities here, only items that can be used in the near future or stored in the apartments may be transferred at this time.

As soon as sufficient extractions are ordered at each government warehouse to make a carload, shipment will be made.

Residents are reminded that the deadline for application for transfer of goods in private storage or private homes is Monday.

Oratorical

All speakers interested in the oratorical contest, slated for Feb. 6 and 7, must sign up by today at 42-5-F.

INTER-CENTER TRAVEL

Special Transfer, Trip Permits Obtainable Under New Rulings

Under the revised instructions from Washington, D.C., transfers to other relocation projects will be permitted in the following special cases, it was announced by E. B. Moulton, Employment and Housing head:

(1) To reunite members of an immediate family (father, mother and children) who were separated by evacuation; (2) to reunite other relatives who were living together at the time of evacuation and dependent on the immediate family; (3) to transfer to proper guardians, orphans, minors or those physically handicapped who are unable to care adequately for themselves; and (4) other unusual cases as specified by the WRA.

In the above cases, it was said that in general the WRA will pay the cost of all travel. However, in cases to join fiancees or fiances the traveling cost must be met by the evacuees.

Evacuees will also be permitted, at their own expenses, to attend in other centers the funeral of a member of the immediate family, or to visit a close relative who is ill when the visit is deemed advisable by the attending physician.

NEW FILMS NOW PLAYING

New movies which will now rotate after every three showings began running yesterday at the Center theaters.

Pictures now showing are "Appointment for Love," Charles Boyer, Margaret Sullivan, PS hall 3; "Along the Rio Grande," Tim Holt, PS hall 5; "Pardon My Sarong," Bud Abbott, Lou Costello, Virginia Bruce, PS hall 10; "San Antonio Rose," Jane Frazee, Robert Paige, Lon Chaney Jr., Eve Arden, PS hall 33.

Single movie tickets, 10 cents per adult and 5 cents per child, are on sale daily from 2 to 5 p.m. at the block offices of Blocks 3, 5, 10 and 33.

Ted Mirikitani and Sam Minami are the new movie managers.

CAL POLITICIANS DRAFT RACIAL LAWS

SACRAMENTO -- The first of several proposed legislative attacks against American citizens of Japanese ancestry and alien Japanese was recorded in the California legislature last week, stated the United Press report in the Pacific Citizen.

Senator Clair Engle of Red Bluff and Assemblyman Lloyd Lowrey of Yolo county presented two joint resolutions, memorializing congress to amend the federal constitution to bar persons of Japanese descent from citizenship, and to determine the identity and forfeit the citizenship of those holding a dual citizenship in any other country, and prohibiting such citizenship.

"The people of the United States have had brought forcibly to their attention the fact that the constitution confers citizenship upon persons of Japanese descent by virtue solely of birth in the United States, despite the fact that such persons are racially and inherently unassimilable," one resolution declared, stated the report.

The Engle-Lowrey bills would place stringent control on landowning and fishing rights.

Thurman's resolution, introduced at the request of the Placer county grand jury, memorialized Congress to enact adequate legislation to prohibit all persons of Japanese ancestry, both alien and native-born, from owning, enjoying, using or occupying agricultural lands, and to restrict all persons of Japanese ancestry from becoming citizens of the United States, reported the UP.

As those measures were introduced, other members of the state legislature said they had similar measures in the making, or

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CO-OP NOTES

NEW WRA RULINGS

Interpretations of the new WRA co-op regulations, which were discussed Thursday by the Temporary Congress of Co-op Delegates, indicated that the Community Enterprises is liable for the employees' salary, the clothing allowances of the workers and their dependents as well as the rental of the PS halls.

A letter on clarification of the clothing liability was sent to Washington.

ON INCORPORATION

Plans are progressing whereby the co-op will soon file application for articles of incorporation under the State of Arkansas. If application is not granted, it is the intention of the co-op to return the membership fees.

COST COMMITTEE

Headed by Mike Miyake, a committee of five will investigate expenses involved in the co-op project if it is to exist under the new WRA rulings to determine whether the cost will justify the continuance of the Enterprises. Rental for a single PS hall under the space rent regulation is about $900 a year.

TYPEWRITERS NEEDED

An urgent call for the loan of private typewriters and adding machines was sent out by the Community Enterprises. Prevailing rentals will be paid.

CLEARANCE PAPERS IN

Approved leave clearance applications have been received from Washington, D.C., for Mr. and Mrs. George Hayashi, who are seeking employment as chick-sexers, disclosed E. B. Moulton, Employment and Housing head.

Almost four hundred applicants for indefinite leaves are still waiting for approval by the Washington office.

Moulton asked all those interested in outside employment to fill the necessary forms at ad building 2.

HANDS OFF! SCHOOL LUMBER IRREPLACEABLE

As the building of the high school stepped into the construction phases, Tom Makino, resident architect, requested Centerites to refrain from taking lumber from the construction grounds.

He stated that the lumber is federal property and definitely not for private use. Any shortage of building material will delay the high school project considerably.

When crossing the construction grounds, evacuees were requested not to disturb any of the pegs and other objects used for markings.

ROHWER SCHOOL SYSTEM DESCRIBED

"Education for Victory," a 1000-word article describing the Rohwer schools, is now being written for the United States Office of Education by a writers' group under J. A. Trice, superintendent of education.

The magazine, to be published soon, will be distributed to schools and educational departments throughout the United States.

GUESTS

SERVICEMEN:

PFC Masaru Dobana, Camp Brookenridge, Ky.; PFC Minoru Nishikawa, Fort Sill, Okla.; Pvt. Kunio Iwanabe, Camp Robinson, Ark.

CIVILIANS:

Mr. and Mrs. Yutaka Harada, Indiana; Nick Nakada, Richmond, Va.

TRANSFER:

Mr. and Mrs. Soichi Arao and family (4 children) from Granada, Colo.

COURSES FOR COLLEGE UNITS

Students desiring college credits for various night school courses were asked to report at 31-2-D as soon as possible by Dr. Nat R. Griswold, night school director.

At the same time, Dr. Griswold made known that the rhetoric, trigonometry and US government classes have not opened as yet because of difficulty in obtaining qualified instructors.

RECORD CONCERT SET FOR MONDAY

The Unclassic hour scheduled for last night was cancelled and is to be presented in Mess hall 28 on Monday evening.

Resolution May Be First of Series; Authors Claim Japanese Unassimilable

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would join in pushing the original proposals.

Senator Engle, former district attorney of Red Bluff, represents Tehama county. Assemblyman Lowrey recently urged the state personnel board to push disbarment proceedings against the state's discharged civil service workers.

There was no indication, it was stated, as to what favor the anti-Japanese measures would have.

The legislative activity was seen in some quarters as the first step of a concerted campaign by certain California interests to prohibit the return of evacuated Japanese to the state.

Discussing the anti-Japanese fishing bill which he had proposed, Lowrey said that the prohibition against "persons ineligible to citizenship" would not deal unfairly with the Chinese and other Orientals who would also be barred by the provisions, since the "Japanese are the only Oriental people who engage in commercial fishing off the California coast."

The authors of the measures declared that the basic inability of "Japanese nationals" to be assimilated as Americans has been shown clearly "by the necessity of confining them, citizens and aliens alike, in relocation centers for the protection and safety of the American people at war--a procedure not found to be necessary in the case of other enemy aliens."

SPANISH CONSUL: GARAY CONFERS WITH RESIDENTS

In a surprise visit Jose M. Garay, Spanish consul at New Orleans, La., representing the Spanish ambassador in charge of Japanese interests, appeared before an impromptu meeting of the block managers Friday afternoon at PS hall 12. He was accompanied by P. W. Herrick of the State department.

Although the purpose of the meeting was to discuss the problems of the Japanese nationals in the center, the block representatives were unable to present any organized discussion at that time. As a result Garay was restricted to answering only simple direct questions.

Three or four selectees of each block from last night's individual block assemblies will meet this afternoon at PS hall 33 at 2 p.m. to compile the various questions that the residents may want clarified.

The time and place for the second conference with Garay, when the problems of the Japanese nations will be discussed with him, will be decided.

THREE LEAVE FOR SCHOOLS

George Matsuoka, 28-10-D, left yesterday for Salt Lake City, Utah, to enroll in the University of Utah.

Matsuoka, a freshman, formerly of Stockton, will major in engineering.

Following a party in his honor, George Nakamura of 13-11-D recently entrained for the University of Utah. He is formerly of Whittier.

Last week Hiroshi Nishi, 24-10-C, formerly of Stockton, left to attend Colorado State A. and M.

CORRECTION: ON INCOME TAX RETURNS

Contrary to the report in the Wednesday issue of the OUTPOST which stated that income tax returns must be paid, the Project attorney states that they are obligated to file returns not necessarily pay tax.

FIRST TO LEAVE PAVE WAY FOR OTHERS, FISHER

"The impressions that individuals on outside work leaves make on their communities are highly important, since in many cases they serve as an introduction of the Japanese to the communities."

Thus said Royal H. Fisher, field representative for the Japanese service of the American Baptist Home Mission society. He stopped here this week while on tour of the relocation projects to help advance the permanent resettlement program of the WRA.

Fisher pointed out that because many of the communities have not seen Japanese people before, a great deal of the responsibility of bringing about better understanding among the outside people lies with those who first go out on permanent relocation.

"The various church and social service groups in the Middle West are working with the WRA field employment offices to inform communities on the resettlement program; to present the real situation of the Japanese; to correct misinformations; to find evacuee employment in all fields; and to help the evacuees adjust themselves to the new communities," he added.

Fisher, who returned to the United States in 1941 after teaching 17 years at the Kanto Gakuon in Japan, will next visit the Jerome, Gila River and Poston projects. His present tour has included Tule Lake, Minidoka, Heart Mountain, Topaz, and Granada.

MOULTON FOR WASHINGTON

To discuss acceleration of the leave clearance program with officials from other centers, E. B. Moulton, Employment and Housing head, will entrain Sunday night for a five-day conference in Washington, D.C.

The conference will be held from Jan. 26 to Jan. 30.

During Moulton's absence, Horschel Abbott, placement officer, will assume duties of the Employment and Housing division.

MARCH OF DIMES CAMPAIGN

In spirit with the national March of Dimes program, a campaign on a voluntary basis to collect contributions in this Center will be discussed at the block managers' meeting Monday afternoon.

Recently, representatives of the Little Rock Infantile Paralysis clinic declared that facilities are now open to afflicted Center residents.

SKIN HYGIENISTS GIVE BEAUTY AID

Demonstrations of individualized cosmetic service by two skin hygienists representing Sallye Harmor Cosmetics, Lansdowne, Penn., began yesterday.

The demonstrations will be continued today and tomorrow as follows:

Saturday: 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon, PS hall 5; 1:30 to 4:30 p.m., Mess hall 5; 7 to 9 p.m., Mess hall 5.

Sunday: 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon, PS hall 5; 1:30 to 5:30 p.m., PS hall 5; 7 to 9 p.m., Mess hall 5.

VITAL STATISTICS

BORN: To Mr. and Mrs. Dave Hirahara, 39-2-B, a girl, Roberta Akiko, on Jan. 20.

BORN: To Mr. and Mrs. Shinichi Okuhara, 9-7-B, a boy, Roy Kazuhiro, on Jan. 20.

BORN: To Mr. and Mrs. Katsuji Hamasaka, 1-12-B, a girl on Jan. 20.

DIED: Sakuichi Nishikawa, 56, 19-6-A, on Jan. 20.

MAGAZINES NOW SOLD AT CANTEEN

Nationally known magazines, including Life, Popular Mechanics, Pic and various movie, radio, comic, joke and detective magazines are now on sale at the canteen, the management disclosed today.

LARGE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

School attendance standings for the school month concluded on Jan. 8, 1943, have been extraordinarily high, J. A. Trice, superintendent of education, said today.

The elementary school with an enrollment of 884 has an average daily attendance of 94.5 per cent with 533 students achieving perfect attendance records. Perfect attendance is no absences and no tardy marks.

The junior and senior high schools with a 1126 total enrollment hold a 98 per cent daily average.

The entire school system with 2010 people had a 96.3 per cent attendance with 1391 perfect attendances.

The first semester will end on March 19. Closing date for schools has been set for July 23.

YBA to Hold Singspiration

The Rev. Seikaku Mizutani will deliver the sermon at the YBA service to be followed by singspiration. A cabinet meeting will be held after the service.

At the Japanese service the Rev. Seikaku Mizutani will speak, 2 p.m., at PS hall 28.

YPCF Hour to Feature Discussion

"My Aspirations for 1943," will be discussed by Michi Kabashima, Stewart Nakano and Mrs. Joseph B. Hunter at the YPCF hour.

Walter Saito will be discussion chairman, and James Nakamura will lead the devotional period.

CLUB NOTES

● The Sub-Debs are giving their first social Saturday night at PS hall 26. Bids have been issued.

Officers in this teenage girls' club are as follows: Asako Morimoto, president; Nellie Utsumi, vice president; and Terrie Otsubo, secretary-treasurer.

Advisers are Tokie Inouye and Sumi Utsumi.

● The Bojanglos will hold a dance for their special guests tonight at 8 o'clock in Mess hall 35.

● Rohwer Girl scout leaders will meet Monday at 7 p.m. in 27-1-B to outline a general program for the coming troop activities.

● With the organization of the Model Airplane club, members will hold their initial meeting Monday, 7:30 p.m., in 27-2-A to develop their program.

● The first class in beginner's tap dancing will meet Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. in 35-2-A, under instructors Marian Yamamoto and Jennie Ando, reported John Ty Saito of CA.

● Organized last week, the Block 26's Young People's club announced their officers yesterday.

They are Allen Hagio, president; Kosuke Ijiohi, vice president; Tokie Inouye, secretary; Grace Hagio, treasurer; Kats Nagai, social chairman; Ted Kamibayashi and Roy Hattori, athletic chairmen; Miokey Takeuchi and Fusae Inouye, sergeant-at-arms.

● An installation social was held by the Hawthorne Y's.

Those installed were Tabo Satow, president; Joe Chino, vice president; Tets Hasegawa, secretary; Bob Morita, treasurer; Oki Okumura, athletic manager; Mits Yamasaki and Osky Tamura, sergeant-at-arms; and Aohi-koohi Fujimura, song-leader.

● The Block 28 Amigas and Diamond Heads gave a gala send-off party in honor of President George Matsuoka Thursday night.

Matsuoka left yesterday to enroll in the University of Utah.

George Uyeda is the newly-elected president.

ROHWER RED CROSS UNIT ORGANIZED; ZIEGLER CHAIRMAN

The Rohwer Red Cross unit was organized last week when the clubs and organizations staff and all interested residents met in 27-1-A to discuss the program.

The executive committee is composed of Merrill Ziegler, chairman; Fred Koyama, vice chairman; Dorothy Kato, secretary; and Kosuke Ijiohi, treasurer.

Programs planned to be carried out by the group include First Aid, home nursing, water safety, study of plants and animals and Junior Red Cross.

In order that former training certificates may be renewed, a refresher course in First Aid is tentatively scheduled to be given next month by a National Red Cross worker.

Sunday Church Services

CHRISTIAN		
Sunday school (11 years and under)	9:00 a.m.	Mess halls 15, 10, 27
Sunday school (12 years to college age)	9:00 a.m.	Mess hall 28
Sunday school (adults)	9:00 a.m.	PS hall 12
English service	10:15 a.m.	PS hall 12
Japanese service	2:00 p.m.	PS hall 12
YP fellowship hour	7:00 p.m.	PS hall 12
BUDDHIST		
Sunday school	9:00 a.m.	PS hall 28
YBA service	10:00 a.m.	PS hall 28
Japanese service	2:00 p.m.	PS hall 28

YMWCA to Form Student Clubs

Girls Reserve and Hi-Y rallies for high school students will take place Monday and Tuesday at 10:45 a.m. in Mess hall 35, sponsored by the clubs and organizations section.

The special programs will help acquaint the students with the various functions of the YWCA and YMCA divisions. Singspirations will also be held.

KEEPING POSTED with F.K.O

With feverish basketball season already at the half way mark, we are beginning to wonder why a casaba loop is so conspicuously absent here in this Center.

Manzanar has a cage league for every division; Tule Lake, highlighted by the bitter Sacramento's Miks and Wakabas' duel, is in the midst of a blistering court campaign; down in Arizona, Poston held a successful New Year's tournament and has started a league and Gila, too, is enjoying a banner season.

Topaz, Utah home of the classiest nisei smoothies, is competing in inter-block tourney; and Granada, which has without doubt the most fabulous basketball program with a nearby high school gymnasium for their convenience, is the hottest relocation cage center.

Local net swishers are inquiring whether there will be a league organized. Let's hope that within the next week or so a conference will be in progress.

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Wartimes' most powerful Japanese-American casaba machine is the starstudded Denver Niseis.

The newly-organized Colorado quintet is literally graced with some of the greatest hardwood stars from California and is represented in the Denver YMCA's basketball league.

The squad includes, among others, all-coast forward Yuk Kuwahara of the famed San Francisco Miks and rated as one of the all-time nisei greats; Harry Yoshioka, all-coast guard from the San Jose Zebras, perennial champions of the P3A and CYBL, and brother Eddie, up and coming cage star sensation; brilliant Kayo Senzaki, northern and southern California JAU all-star.

Veteran Mits Kaneko, JAU all-star of the San Francisco Greyhounds; Los Angeles Shamrocks' pole vaulting hoop stars Dave Hoshimiya and Tets Narahara; and from the state champion Los Angeles Cardinals is Tets Tada.

HISAKA NEW HEAD

Art Hisaka of Stockton is the newly-named Director of Men's Athletics, replacing Sam Minami, who resigned from the athletic department to accept a managerial position with the Rohwer Cooperative Enterprises.

ROYAL DUKES MEET A-JAYS BLOCK 4 VS FIREMEN

BOJANGLES PLAY INTELLECTS

Out to make it two straight, the Royal Dukes will mix with the A-Jays in the feature week-end game this afternoon on the Block 27 court at 1:30.

Coming back intact with the same squad that put the skids under the Bojangles, the Royal Dukes are slight favorites to repeat with the A-Jays.

The A-Jays, a group of east Los Angeles boys, will bank on the sharpshooting forward wall of Tin Nabara, Kay Kayasuga and Dave Matayoshi with Hajime Kayasuga and Hiro Nakada in the guard spots.

The Bojangles will be out to register their win against the Outpost Intellects at 3:30 today.

On top of a doubleheader Sunday, the Firemen will tangle with the Block 4 quintet at 3:30.

The Firemen will field Tak Senzaki, Jimmy Sakamoto, Roy Sugino, Nob Morimoto, Yuk Matsuda and Charles Shishida.

The roster for the Block 4 team includes Tak Kawagoe, Sunny Sanada, Sho Hiraizumi, Frank Kawagoe and Henry Fukushima.

P40's will face the Toppers in the preliminary.

Fistic Classes To Commence

Boxing classes will begin in earnest Monday Jan. 25, in Block 6 PS hall from 7:30, announced Takashi Hisashima.

Free instructions will be offered every night to all those interested by Hank Yonemoto, young professional expert from Los Angeles.

Due to the shortage of equipment, anyone owning bags, gloves, etc., is asked to bring them.

GIRLS' PREP GYM INSTRUCTORS

by cho aratani

Editor's note -- This is the final installment on the Rohwer high school physical education dept.

YUKIKO KATO should know her way around California. Toured California and Arizona twice with the aptly-named Stockton Busy Bees. Played guard for the BB's when they took the national championship in '40. Spent her school days in Stockton.

Pert SHIZUKA EYA is a prominent Buddhist leader from Gardena, Calif. Frolicked for three years in the GA at Gardena high. Played basketball for Gardena YBA, one of the more dangerous threats in Southern District league. Took a pre-nursing AA degree at Compton junior college.

No jokie is swingster TERUKO KOBAYASHI for she jives with the best of them. Went to Roosevelt high in Los Angeles. Played softball, basketball and volleyball for the Kailaueans and Chuo Jrs. Played casaba for the Chuos when they bagged the LA Betsuin flag in '41.

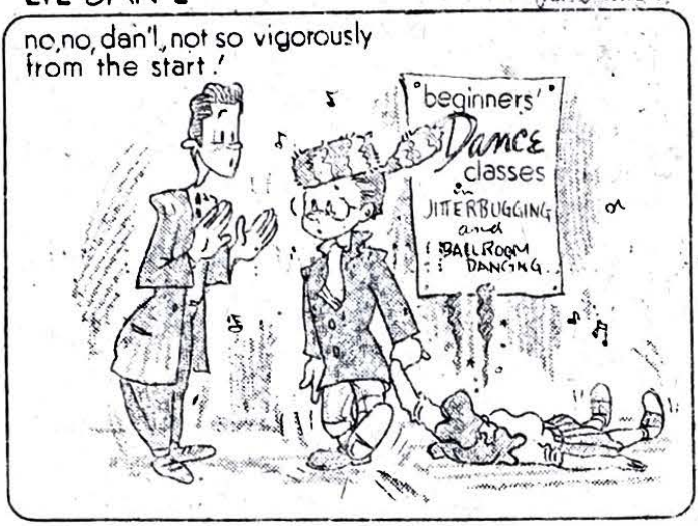
MERI NAKASHIMA was the familiar sport figure, Meri Taniguchi, before matrimony claimed her.

She played basketball for Phydelis, who took the WAU B league championship in '39 before moving up to the A league. Took a commercial course at LA City college. Won first place in both the free style and back stroke events during the '42 JAU swim meet.

Spent some time on Joe Deveaux's All-Star softball squad, playing against top-flight girls' teams of southern California.

LIL DAN'L

by Gyo Akimoto



EDITORIAL

AMERICANS ?

Since evacuation, almost three-quarter year has passed and still the clamorous, noisy yelps of certain organizations are being heard in California.

Led by the Native Sons and Daughters of the Golden West, a group of reactionary clubs are openly advocating the removal of citizenship from all American-born Japanese. They are now engaged in trying to pass through legislative bodies of the state, laws which will deprive the right of the nisei to hold land or to fish.

The totalitarian workings of their minds seem to find justification in blaming us for the deeds of Japan. They are of the opinion that we are dangerous to the welfare of the nation. Their actions reflect the viewpoint that they are the real totalitarians who would advocate racial discrimination.

Unconsciously, other organizations have followed suit. Many American Legion chapters have removed the names of the Japanese members from their list. Perhaps, these men are not to be blamed for being shortsighted. With war playing the important role now, they are perhaps reliving their World war I and its horrors, and their sense of democracy has become warped.

The recently announced US losses in the Pearl Harbor fiasco reveal one of the chief reasons for evacuation -- the danger of bombargment of the Pacific coast and consequently the danger to the coast Japanese. The staggering loss that accompanied evacuation has been losing its edge, but the repeated attempts to deprive us of our rights by NSD of GM are opening the wounds again.

These supposedly democratic groups are giving democracy a slap on the face by the advocation of such racial measures. Physically, the Japanese in America cannot change and have not changed to any great degree, but they have become mentally more Americanized and democratized than those who would "purge" us of our rights.

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SMOKE SIGNALS exchange

GRANADA.....

"Criticism of any and all departments, if justified, should be printed. Any comments or criticisms appearing in this paper are printed with the intention of improving existing conditions in the center. If criticism is resented, the department heads should clean house first before storming into the editor's office demanding censorship----".....An average of 30 interviews a day are granted to complete applications for leaves..... Amache Indians, a center high school quintet, plays host to the Hartman Pirates, one of the strongest teams in the vicinity. The Indians already boast one win over the Granada high five.

POSTON.....

The second center to schedule basketball games with the "outside," the Poston high varsity and B teams scuttled the Parker high squads.....Directory of names and addresses of all evacuees to be compiled by the Poston Chronicle staff.....First experimental bricks made at the adobe plant in Unit III.

GILA.....

Ex-servicemen's club formed for all nisei soldiers honorably discharged from US Army during World War II.....Mess hall workers must be 30 years or over.....Project nurseries make semi-weekly deliveries of fresh-cut flowers to the hospital wards.

MINIDOKA.....

Center residents will have bus services to Twin Falls...Hunt has been included in the regular itinerary of the major bus lines in and out of Twin Falls.....To entertain nisei soldiers on furloughs an all-girl club, similar to the USO, called the "Servicoers" was formed... Membership is open to all girls in the Center.